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In re application of:

PRICE *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/390,634

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For: **Method for Expanding
Embryonic Stem Cells in Serum-
Free Culture**

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Supplemental Amendment and Reply

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Advisory Action dated **June 24, 2002**¹, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 24), Applicants submit the following Supplemental Amendment and Reply. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this

¹As indicated elsewhere in this Reply, the Advisory Action dated June 24, 2002 was improperly issued. The present Reply is being submitted to address certain issues raised by the Examiner in the Advisory Action and, therefore, to expedite prosecution of the application.